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Re: United States v. AVX, et al., Civil Action No. 83-3882Y (D. Mass.)

Dear Ms. Sweeney:

This letter is in response to the letter from all defense counsel to me dated January 6, 1988 and our follow-up telephone conversation.

As we discussed during our conversation, the United States is willing to meet with defense counsel in this case to discuss their continued participation in the RI/FS process for New Bedford Harbor. As I pointed out, however, such a meeting will only be productive if the defendants can first provide us with a specific proposal or, at least, a list of possible mechanisms to enhance your participation in the RI/FS process. Such a document will also aid us in deciding who should be present at the meeting.

With regard to your request for a meeting on the pilot dredging study, we will contact you in the next few days to schedule a time and to discuss an agenda for that meeting.

Sincerely,

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